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PROCESSING

TO	PROPOSED	ACTION	REMARKS
CHIEF, MUNICH LIAISON BASE	XX	MARKED FOR INDEXING	
CHIEF OF STATION, GERMANY		NO INDEXING REQUIRED	
FROM		ONLY QUALIFIED HEADQUARTERS DESK CAN JUDGE INDEXING	
CHIEF, EE		ABSTRACT	
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SUBJECT ☐ ☒ UPHILL

ACTION REQUIRED - REFERENCES

CONTACT REPORT OF 12 MAY 1961

WE HAVE RECEIVED REFERENCE, AND HAVE THE FOLLOWING INITIAL COMMENTS.

1. THE MATTER OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HACKE AND ROTE KAPELLE IS REALLY AS RELATED IN EGMW-10639, PARA 8, AND NOT AS ALIAS BERNHARDT EXPRESSED IT TO YOU. IN OTHER WORDS IT WAS BERNHARDT AND ESPECIALLY ALIAS KUNZE WHO KEPT INSISTING UPON THE CONNECTION. UNDERSIGNED HAS THE FEELING THE RELATIONSHIP AS THEY EXPRESS IT IS RATHER STRAINED. HOWEVER, WE WENT ALONG WITH THE ACT AND OFFERED TO SUPPORT RESEARCHES BEARING ON SUCH A RELATIONSHIP. WE DID NOT COMMIT OURSELVES TO A FULL SCALE JOINT INVESTIGATION OF ROTE KAPELLE. WE DID CALL ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT UTILITY HAS FROM TIME TO TIME EXPRESSED INTEREST IN DISCUSSIONS OF THE SUBJECT, BUT THAT THESE HAD NEVER MATERIALIZED, FOR REASONS NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR TO US. WE DID SUGGEST THAT THE ACTIVITIES AND ASSOCIATES OF ALEX SAUTER AND THOMAS SESSLER OUGHT TO BE LOOKED INTO. BERNHARDT ADMITTED HE DIDN'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT THAT PARTICULAR SUBJECT BECAUSE OF INTERNAL UPHILL COMPARTMENTATION. WE OFFERED TO LOOK FOR SPECIFIC FILES IN CAPTURED GERMAN RECORDS, BUT WE TRIED TO EMPHASIZE THE HOPELESSNESS OF BROWSING AT RANDOM AMONG THE RECORDS IN HOPE OF FINDING THINGS OF INTEREST. PERHAPS BERNHARDT MEANT TO SAY WE HAD AGREED WITH KUNZE AND HIMSELF ON THE LINE OF INVESTIGATION, BUT THEY MADE THE POINT INITIALLY, WE DIDN'T.

2. WE SHOULD ALSO APPRECIATE A COPY OF THE ALIAS KUNZE NOTES.

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3. THE TOTAL RECORD WOULD PROBABLY SHOW THAT UNDERSIGNED FIRST CAST DOUBT UPON UJDROWSY. THIS, HOWEVER, WAS BASED NOT ON THE FEW SHREDS OF CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE THEN AVAILABLE, BUT LARGELY UPON A RECONSTRUCTION OF UPHILL SECURITY PROBLEMS AS KNOWN TO US. BEFORE THE WHOLE INVESTIGATION IS CONCENTRATED IN THE DIRECTION OF UJDROWSY, IT WOULD APPEAR IMPORTANT TO EXAMINE THE ACTUAL BULK AND THE NATURE OF THE AVAILABLE EVIDENCE, WHICH MIGHT TURN OUT TO BE NOT REALLY VERY IMPRESSIVE. WE SUGGEST UPHILL BE ASKED TO SPELL OUT ALL THE EVIDENCE NOW AVAILABLE IN ONE PIECE OF PAPER, AS AN EXERCISE TO TEST ITS VALIDITY, AND THAT IT BE THOROUGHLY DISCUSSED AND EVALUATED. THIS EXERCISE MIGHT ALSO BE VALUABLE IN SUGGESTING THE MOST PROMISING AREAS FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION. IF UPHILL HAS ALREADY PERFORMED THIS TASK, THEY SHOULD SHOW IT TO US. WE HOPE, WITH YOU, THAT UPHILL CAN BE RESTRAINED FROM TAKING PREMATURE ACTION.

4. CERTAINLY WE DID PROMISE TO SERVICE ALL ADDITIONAL UPHILL REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION, INCLUDING FURTHER DEBRIEFING OF [] WE SHOULD NOT LIKE TO LET BERNHARDT FORGET THE FRANKNESS WITH WHICH HE ALSO PROMISED TO PROCEED, AND WE THEREFORE SUGGEST THAT YOU PUT HIM TO THE TEST AT EVERY OCCASION ON THIS POINT, ASKING FOR COPIES OF EVERYTHING YOU KNOW HE HAS OR LOGICALLY WILL HAVE AT HAND. IN PARTICULAR, WE WISH TO SEE THEIR CHART AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, AS THIS WILL GIVE US THE BEST PLAN OF FILE INQUIRY. FURTHER, IF UPHILL WOULD PASS US A FEW SPECIFICS ON THE INTERESTING BITS THEY ARE TURNING UP, RELIABLE INFO INDICATING THAT BORMANN WAS DEFINITELY INVOLVED IN SOMETHING LIKE HACKE, VARIOUS TRACES INDICATING GAMOTTA WAS ACTIVE CONTACTING AND RECRUITING FORMER AMT IV PEOPLE FOR THE RIS, ETC./ WE MIGHT BE IN A BETTER POSITION TO HELP.

5. WE DID NOT SAY YOU HAD THE WHOLE PONGER DEBRIEFING. THIS RUNS TO A NUMBER OF FEET OF FILE. UNDERSIGNED DID SAY THAT TO THE BEST OF HIS RECOLLECTION THE DISCUSSIONS WHICH WE HAD WITH UPHILL ABOUT PONGER, HOETTL AND KRICHBAUM HAD BEEN KEPT TOGETHER IN ONE SINGLE FILE, PROBABLY LABELLED KRICHBAUM, SINCE HE HAD BEEN THE ACTUAL SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION. HERE IS ANOTHER CHANCE TO PRESS UPHILL FOR INFORMATION. IN THE MATERIAL ALIAS BERNHARDT GAVE US WE FIND ON THE CARD OF 'KRICHBAUM' THE STAMPED NOTATION '25.50/B NR. 6726 OF 23 MARCH 1953, HIS ADDRESS WAS FOUND IN DR. HOETTL'S ADDRESS BOOK.' THIS INDICATES A THOROUGH CARDING OF THE MATERIAL EXCHANGED AT THE TIME. THERE IS VERY LIKELY A PARALLEL UPHILL INVESTIGATION DATING FROM THE SAME PERIOD. THIS WOULD BE OF INTEREST AND OUGHT TO BE AVAILABLE TO BERNHARDT. ALSO, WE WONDER WHETHER UPHILL HAS SERIOUSLY CONSIDERED WHETHER IT IS POSSIBLE TO GET AT WILLI HOETTL TO REINTERROGATE HIM ON WHAT PONGER ACTUALLY ASKED HIM TO DO AGAINST UPHILL. OBVIOUSLY, THERE IS THE PROBLEM OF HOW TO GET HOETTL INTO GERMANY, BUT THIS MIGHT BE POSSIBLE ON A RUSE IN CONNECTION WITH EVIDENCE HE MIGHT PROVIDE BEARING ON THE EICHMANN TRIAL.

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